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NOTE FOR: Ted Atkeson, NIO/GPF

SUBJECT : Your Memo (20 July 1982) on Geographic Escalation

Ted, this is an excellent revision and a most thoughtful piece. It profits also from your inclusion of the nuclear escalation factor.

I have really only one suggestion: the present Key Judgments do not do justice to the text, and in fact raise some large questions in the reader's mind -- which the text explains and takes care of, but only later. These questions are so complex that I would suggest not having the present Key Judgments section at all. Rather, something like the following:

- Start the paper with the present Preface.
- Continue on through with your request very carefully-worded Discussion (pp. 3-17).
- Have Conclusions at the close of the paper, using your present text here (p. 18), amplified by adding a few of the thoughts from your present Key Judgments.

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